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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

NOTE: 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

Application No. 10/025,509

Filing Date 12/19/2001

First Named Inventor Kessler, et al.

Group Art Unit 2137

Examiner Name Gelagay, Shewaye

Attorney Docket No. 5655.P004

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

a.  Previously submitted

i.  Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).

ii.  Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_

iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Enclosed

i.  Amendment/Reply

ii.  Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)

iii.  Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iv.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Miscellaneous**

a.  Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)  
for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months. Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)

b.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

**3. Fees** The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

a.  The Director is hereby authorized to charge deficiencies in the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 2-2666

i.  RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)

ii.  Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.17)

iii.  Other \_\_\_\_\_

b.  Check in the amount of \$790.00 enclosed

c.  Payment by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed)

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Registration No. (Attorney/Agent) 46,154

Signature

Date 11/16/06

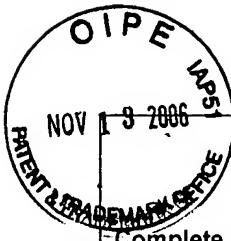
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Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)		
1011	300	Utility application filing fee	<u>0.00</u>
1111	500	Utility search fee	<u>0.00</u>
1311	200	Utility examination fee	<u>0.00</u>
1012	200	Design application filing fee	
1112	100	Design search fee	
1312	130	Design examination fee	
1013	200	Plant filing fee	
1113	300	Plant search fee	
1313	160	Plant examination fee	
1004	300	Reissue filing fee	
1114	500	Reissue search fee	
1314	600	Reissue examination fee	
1005	200	Provisional application filing fee	

**SUBTOTAL (1)** \$ 00.00

**2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES**

<u>Total Claims</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>Extra Claims</u>	<u>Fee from below</u>	<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
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<u>Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Fee Description</u>	
<u>Code</u>	<u>(\$)</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>(\$)</u>	<u>Each claim over 20</u>	
1202	50	2202	25	<u>Each independent claim over 3</u>	
1201	200	2201	100	<u>Multiple dependent claims, if not paid</u>	
1203	360	2203	180	<u>Reissue: each claim over 20 and more than in the original patent</u>	
1204	200	2204	100	<u>Reissue: each independent claim more than in the original patent</u>	
1205	50	2205	25		
<b>SUBTOTAL (2) \$ 00.00</b>					

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<u>Code</u>	<u>(\$)</u>	<u>Code</u>	<u>(\$)</u>	
1081	250	2081	125	Utility
1082	250	2082	125	Design
1083	250	2083	125	Plant
1084	250	2084	125	Reissue
<b>SUBTOTAL (3) \$ 0</b>				

**FEE CALCULATION (continued)****4. OTHER FEE(S)**

Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)

<u>Large Entity</u>	<u>Small Entity</u>		<u>Fees Paid (\$)</u>
Fee	Fee	Fee	
Code	(\$)	Code	(\$)
1051	130	2051	65
1052	50	2052	25
1053	130	1053	130
1812	2,520	1812	2,520
1813	8,800	1813	8,800
1804	920*	1804	920*
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*
1251	120	2251	60
1252	450	2252	225
1253	1,020	2253	510
1254	1,590	2254	795
1255	2,160	2255	1,080
1401	500	2401	250
1402	500	2402	250
1403	1,000	2403	500
1451	1,510	1451	1,510
1452	500	2452	250
1453	1,500	2453	750
1501	1,400	2501	700
1502	800	2502	400
1503	1100	2503	550
1462	400	1462	400
1463	200	1463	200
1464	130	1464	130
1807	50	1807	50
1806	180	1806	180
8021	40	8021	40
1809	790	2809	395
1814	130	2814	65
1810	790	2810	395
1801	790	2801	395
1802	900	1802	900
1504	300	1504	300
1505	300	1505	300
1803	130	1803	130
1808	130	1808	130
1454	1,370	1454	1,370
Other fee (specify) _____			_____
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1113	300	2113 150	Plant search fee } 660/330
1313	160	2313 80	Plant examination fee }
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1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1813	8,800	1813	8,800	Request for inter parties reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	120	2251	60	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	450	2252	225	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	1,020	2253	510	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,590	2254	795	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,160	2255	1,080	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	500	2401	250	Notice of Appeal	
1402	500	2402	250	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	1,000	2403	500	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	500	2452	250	Petition to revive – unavoidable	
1453	1,500	2453	750	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,400	2501	700	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	800	2502	400	Design issue fee	
1503	1100	2503	550	Plant issue fee	
1462	400	1462	400	Petitions to the Commissioner (CFR 1.17(f) Group I)	
1463	200	1463	200	Petitions to the Commissioner (CFR 1.17(g) Group II)	
1464	130	1464	130	Petitions to the Commissioner (CFR 1.17(h) Group III)	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	790	2809	395	For filing a submission after final rejection (see 37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1814	130	2814	65	Statutory Disclaimer	
1810	790	2810	395	For each additional invention to be examined (see 37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	790	2801	395	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	<u>790.00</u>
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	
1504	300	1504	300	Publication fee for early, voluntary, or normal pub.	
1505	300	1505	300	Publication fee for republication	
1803	130	1803	130	Request for voluntary publication or republication	
1808	130	1808	130	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(l) (except provisionals)	
1454	1,370	1454	1,370	Acceptance of unintentionally delayed claim for priority	

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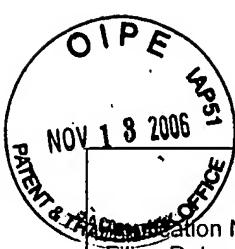
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